THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE BILAL NAZKI

AND

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE S.ANANDA REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO.13 OF 2006

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Date:03-01-2006

Between:

M/s Godrej Telecom Limited

(presently known as Godrej & Boyce

Mfg. Co. Ltd.,) …Petitioner

And

The Additional Commissioner (CT)

Legal and others …Respondents

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O R D E R (Per the Hon'ble Sri Bilal Nazki, J):

Heard learned counsel for the parties. With their consent, the writ petition is being disposed of at this stage.

The controversy is that pending appeal, application for stay filed by the petitioner was dismissed by the competent authority. We have gone through the record and heard learned counsel for the parties. We feel that the interest of justice would have been met if stay was granted pending appeal, subject to deposit of 50 per cent of the disputed tax. Therefore, we set aside the order of the authority and direct that 50 per cent of the disputed tax shall be paid by the petitioner, within a period of six weeks. For six weeks, there shall be an unconditional stay and the stay shall continue till disposal of the appeal, provided the amount is deposited within six weeks. However, the petitioner shall pay half of the amount payable in terms of this order by the end of this month and the remaining half before the end of 15th February, 2006. The deposit of amount shall be without prejudice to the rights of the petitioner in the appeal.

The writ petition is accordingly disposed of. No costs.

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(Bilal Nazki, J)

3rd January, 2006

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(S.Ananda Reddy,J)

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